GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1685
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PROGRESS IN HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER IN J & K
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a lot of scope for generation of hydel electric power in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the progress made by the Government in this sector; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c) : According to studies on Re-assessment of Hydro-electric potential carried out by CEA during 1978-87, the H.E. potential of Jammu & Kashmir was assessed at 14146 MW in terms of installed capacity. At present 18.57% of the assessed potential of Jammu & Kashmir State is either developed or is under various stages of development.

There is vast scope for development of Hydro-electric power in Jammu &Kashmir. Central Electricity Authority/Ministry of Power is formulating an action plan/strategy for the development of the balance H.E. potential in the country. The Hydro-electric Projects to be taken up for development on priority in the State form part of the action plan. Two Projects, Baglihar Hydro-electric Project (450 MW) and Sawalkot Hydro-electric Project (600 MW) are under execution in the State Sector.The NHPC is presently executing the Dulhasti Hydro-electric project with an installed capacity of 390 MW. The Project is scheduled to be commissioned by the end ofDecember, 2003. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between NHPCand J&K Government on 20th July, 2000, consequent to which 7 projects in the State of J&K were handed over to NHPC for execution in the Central SectorDetails of these 7 projects including their installed capacity and status of Stage-I & Stage-II activities/clearances obtained have been given at Annex.

ANNEX

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1685 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LO SABHA ON 25.7.2002 REGARDING PROGRESS IN HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER IN J&K.

Status of NHPC`s New Projects / Schemes in J&K

Sl.No	Name of the Hydro-electric project	Capacity MW	Present status
1	Kishanganga	330	Project not found commercially viable
2	Uri-II	280	Stage-II works are in progress after Committee on Public Investment Board (CPIB) approved the stage-II cost estimates.
3	Nimo Bazgo	30	Stage-I estimates have been cleared by Central Electricity Authority. Survey & Investigation is in progress for finalisation of Feasibility Report. Stage-I site clearance accorded.

4	Chutak	18	Preliminary stage-I activities are in progress or firming up the Feasibility Report.
5	Sewa-II	120	Stage-II activities are in progress after CPIB approved the Stage-II cost estimates.
6.	Pakal Du	l1000	Stage-II activities are in progress after CPIB approved the Stage-II coststimates.
7	Bursar	1020	CEA was to examine viability taking into consideration additional generation in the downstream projects on completion of this project. CEA has re-assessed the project`s viability and has recommended the Stage-II cost estimates for CPIB.